



Act of Sederunt,

Anent Seafings and Reversions of Tenements and Annualrents within Burghs.

At Edinburgh, the twentieth two day of February, 1681.

THE Lords of Council and Session considering, that by the Act of Parliament, 1617. anent the Registration of Seafings and Reversions of all Lands and Annualrents, There is an exception of Lands and Annualrents within Burgh, and within the Burgage Lands of Royal Burrows, which is supposed to have been upon the account of the Books of the Town Clerks of Royal Burrows; wherein the Seafings and Reversions of such Lands might be found; nevertheless, the Lords finds, that not only Seafings within Burgh are sometimes omitted, and not found insert in the Town Clerks Books; but that frequently, Reversions of Tenements and Annualrents within Burgh, and Assignations to, and Discharges of Reversions, and Bonds for granting such Reversions, are not to be found in the saids Books, to the great detriment of the Leiges. For remeied whereof, The Lords do apppoint and ordain the Magistrats of Royal Burrows, and their Successors in Office, to take good Caution and Sovery of their Town Clerks, that now are; or shall be in Office, that they insert in their Books, all Seafings of Lands, Tenements, or Annualrents, within their Respective Burghs or Burrow-lands; and of all Reversions, Bonds for granting Reversions, Assignations to, and discharges of Reversions, Renunciations and grants of Redemption of any Tenements and Annualrents within their Burghs, or Burgage-lands, that shall be given at any time hereafter, within the space of threescore days from the dates thereof *respective*, in like manner, as is prescribed by the said Act of Parliament, anent the Registration of Seafings and Reversions of Lands without Burgh; and that the said Surety be under the pain of the damage that shall befall any party through the latency of the saids Writes, which shall be past by the saids Clerks, or presented to them to be insert in their saids Books. Likeas, the Lords ordain the saids Magistrats to insert an Act hereupon in their Town Council Books, and to cause Publish the same by Touck of Drum, that none pretend ignorance. And further, the Lords do declare, that if any Party shall neglect to insert their Seafings, Reversions, Bonds for granting of Reversions, Assignations to, and Discharges of Reversion, Renunciations and grants of Redemption, in manner fore-said, That the Lords will hold and repute them as latent and fraudulent deeds, kept up of design to deceive and prejudice the Purchasers of Tenements and Annualrents within Burgh, *bona fide*, for just and onerous Causes: and ordains the Provost of *Edinburgh* to intimate this Act to the Commissioners of the Royal Burrows, at the next Convention of Burrows. And Ordains these Presents to be Printed, and Published at the Mercat Cross of *Edinburgh*, and other places needful.

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